

BRITISH TROUBLES.

Rebels in Matabele to the Number of 15,000 Threatening Bulawayo.

BOERS SAID TO ENCOURAGE NATIVES.

Reports to the Effect That President Kruger Is Preparing to Declare the Transvaal Republic.

Cape Town, April 17.—The situation about Bulawayo is darker than ever. The rebellion is so widespread that a large force will be necessary to restore order. The home government is blamed for postponing the dispatch of reinforcements. The action is doubtless due to a desire to avoid anything which might be construed into an attempt to coerce the South African public, but it is pointed out that while Great Britain is holding hands off, the rebels are openly being drilled by German instructors and are accumulating arms and ammunition and are constructing fortifications and bringing heavy guns from Germany. The policy of President Kruger is one of delay until the Transvaal is in position to defy Great Britain, then the independence of the South African republic will be declared. The Orange Free State may be incorporated into the republic. The natives everywhere are being incited against British rule and an attempt will be made to drive the British out of South Africa. This plan is openly talked of and chuckled over among the Boers, and it is believed nothing short of a terrible disaster, such as the capture of Bulawayo, will bring the British government to its senses. It is stated that fully fifteen thousand Matabeles are mustered for an attack on Bulawayo, which could not hold out against the headstrong charge of the native regiments to even half that number.

DIAMOND THIEVES ARRESTED.

Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars Worth of Property Found in Their Possession.

London, April 17.—Two men, Wm. Dunlop, described as valet, and Wm. Turner, said to be footmen, are under arrest here. They say they left the service of a gentleman in New York recently. On them the police found some diamonds valued at \$15,000 and a search of the room occupied by them revealed bracelets, rings, pendants, etc., set with precious stones valued at \$75,000.

There is no doubt that these are the men who robbed the employer, J. Townsend Burdett, of New York. The United States embassy cabled the secretary to that effect and asked for extradition papers. Their arrest was caused by information given by a jeweler to whom the men offered to sell some of the stolen gems.

Side Property in New York. New York, April 17.—The men, Turner and Dunlop, arrested in London, were formerly servants employed by J. Townsend Burdett of this city, who on the night of December 27, 1895, was robbed of jewelry valued at \$90,000. The chief article of value was a diamond necklace worth \$20,000.

IN THE SENATE.

Uncompromising Resolution to be Opened at Once.

Washington, April 17.—The senate took up a resolution directing the secretary of the interior to open the Uncompaghe Indian reservation without further delay, the understanding being that the land investigation resolution would come up at 3 p. m., as unfinished business. In the house the approach of final adjournment is indicated by the great pressure at the opening of each session for unanimous consent for the passage of minor bills. Several such bills were passed today. This being Friday under rules devoted to the consideration of private bills.

Five Children Smothered.

Turners Fall, Mass., April 17.—Five children were smothered to death by smoke from a fire in a tenement house here today.

The fire originated in a basement and spread so rapidly that those on the second floor were barely able to escape with their lives. A man named Courmatine living on the upper floor, saved four of his six children. The dead are: Josephine and Edward Courmatine, aged 12 and 10; Anne and Lena Dubois, aged 4 and 7, and Rosie Bonnaire, 10.

Maryland Populists.

Baltimore, April 17.—The populist state convention elected the following delegates at large to their national convention: S. S. Field, Baltimore; Walter Brooman, Dorchester county; W. S. Branson, Prince Georges. District delegates were also chosen. The platform reaffirms the Omaha platform of 1892. The delegates were instructed to "use all honorable means to effect a union of all opposed to the rule of the money bags."

Booth's Letters to be Published.

London, April 17.—General Booth called Salvation Army headquarters in New York ordering the publication of letters in regard to the charges made by Ballington Booth against the general and his administration.

Explosion in Peoria.

Peoria, April 17.—By an explosion of a converter at the works of the American Glove company, early this morning, John Hooy and a man named Burns were instantly killed. Several others were more or less seriously injured.

ILLINOIS REPUBLICANS.

Three More Counties Instruct for McKinley and 18th District Solid.

Shelbyville, Ill., April 17.—The Republican convention of Shelby county met here yesterday. Resolutions were adopted instructing the delegates to the state convention to vote for McKinley for president, Tamm for governor, Northcott for lieutenant governor, J. M. Tritt for attorney general, Wm. E. Mason for United States senator, and H. W. Butler for clerk of the supreme court.

Delegates were instructed to vote for instructions to the St. Louis delegates to work and vote for McKinley for president. As Madison, Monticue and Fayette counties have already adopted similar instructions, this insures the two delegates from the Eighteenth congressional convention for McKinley.

Pike County.

Pittsfield, Ill., April 17.—The Pike county Republican convention was held in this city today. Col. A. C. Matthews, chairman; S. T. Donohoe, secretary; H. M. Hollenbeck, assistant secretary. Great enthusiasm prevailed, and the mention of McKinley at all times caused applause.

H. D. L. Grigsby was nominated by acclamation for state's attorney; Frank Shelly, clerk; C. L. Gray, surveyor; John E. Morton, coroner.

A resolution was adopted instructing for Tamm for governor, Chapman, lieutenant governor; Charles Rinnels, member state central committee; Blaker for congress, Massie, state senator; A. C. Matthews, of Pike, and S. J. McKnight, Macoupin delegates to the national convention, and William McKinley for president.

Adams County.

Quincy, Ill., April 17.—The Adams county Republican convention met in the city hall this morning. The objects of the meeting were to elect twenty delegates to the state convention, twenty to the senatorial district convention and thirty to the congressional convention.

Resolutions were adopted endorsing Congressman B. F. Marsh and favoring a sound money standard. The resolution endorsing Dr. Joseph Robb and instructing the delegates to the state convention to cast their votes for him as a candidate for governor was enthusiastically adopted. Resolutions endorsing Hon. William McKinley were adopted, but the resolution to instruct the delegates to the national convention to vote for him was defeated.

WEYLER EXECUTES THEM.

Three Cuban Prisoners Were Shot Today in a Spanish Fortress.

Havana, April 17.—Three captured insurgents belonging to the band of Dr. Bruno Zayas named Gregorio Gorge, Steban Fernandez and Jose Duacilla, were executed this morning at the Cabana fortress.

Reciprocity and Tariff Revision Must Go Together.

Washington, April 17.—The Republican members of the house ways and means committee in caucus today discussed the question of the revival of reciprocity. It was agreed to report to the house the testimony taken by the committee on the subject the past two weeks, but decided not to recommend any legislation on matter by this congress. The reciprocity scheme involves so many problems interwoven with the tariff that the Republicans think it inadvisable to take it up till they can effect a general tariff revision.

The district court of appeals today allowed a writ of error to the United States supreme court in the case of E. R. Chapman, of New York, a stock broker, convicted of refusing to answer the questions of the senate on the sugar trust investigating committee.

Burial of Dr. John F. McKenzie.

Bloomington, Ill., April 17.—Vice President Stevenson arrived from Washington yesterday morning to attend the funeral of his cousin, Dr. John F. McKenzie, at LeRoy. The funeral was a very impressive one, attended by a great concourse of people, many of whom came from distant places. It was conducted by the Masons and Knights of Pythias. The discourse was delivered by Rev. T. Holton, pastor in the Christian church of LeRoy. Vice President Stevenson was one of the active pall bearers, and others being his brothers, William W. and Thomas W. Stevenson; nephews, James B. and Charles T. Stevenson, all of Bloomington, and a cousin, Judge William G. Ewing, of Chicago. Among the mourners were Adlai T. and John Ewing, of Chicago.

Weather This Afternoon and Saturday.

Chicago, April 17.—Illinois: Showers, cooler tonight; Saturday winds shifting to east.

Iowa: Showers, cooler tonight and Saturday; fresh northwest winds.

South Dakota: Showers or snow showers tonight; cloudy with showers south-east Saturday; brisk northerly winds.

More Fighting on the Nile.

Suakin, April 17.—An Egyptian force of eleven hundred were attacked by Dervishes Wednesday. Sixty Dervishes were killed and many wounded. The Egyptian loss was five wounded, twelve killed and four missing.

The Pope Wants Peace.

London, April 17.—The Pall Mall Gazette's Rome special says that the Pope nuncio at Madrid has been instructed to propose mediation of the Pope to bring about the settlement of the troubles in Cuba, or urge on Spain the acceptance of Cleveland's reported offer of mediation.

Edward Papadakis Dead.

Chicago, April 17.—Edward Papadakis, the famous board of trade player, who by consistently taking the bear side, did more probably than any other man in the country to depress prices of grain, died today of Bright's disease.

FITZSIMMONS' LION.

The Pugilist's Unfortunate Pet Accidentally Electrocuted.

AND FITZ HIMSELF HAS A CLOSE CALL.

Leaned for Support on an Electric Light Wire Which Broke, One End Falling Upon the Lion, Causing Its Death.

CLEVELAND, O., April 17.—Bob Fitzsimmons' pet lion, Nero, is dead and Bob himself received a very close call at the time of the animal's demise. Fitzsimmons is filling a week's engagement at a local theater. He kept the lion chained on the roof of the auditorium.

Last night at 12 o'clock Fitz, accompanied by Roeder, the wrestler, ascended to the lion's quarters to feed it. The pugilist was beautifully tuned up with liquor, and was exhausted when he reached the roof. He leaned for support on the first available thing, which happened to be an electric light wire. It snapped in two under his weight, and one end of the wire fell upon and clung to Nero.

The frightened beast sprang over the edge of the roof, the wire clinging to it and burning its flesh. Fitz grabbed the chain and after a hard struggle pulled his pet back on the roof, but until it had been strangled to death. Roeder did not notice the danger his companion was in, and it was well for him that he did not.

In taking hold of the chain Fitz made himself a part of the deadly current and was terribly burned about the hands. Had not the wire been loosened from the animal's body when it was hauled back on the roof it is probable that Bob and Nero would have passed in their cheques together.

NEW DEAL MADE IN ILLINOIS.

Proposed that Neither McKinley Nor Callahan Shall be Indorsed.

Washington, April 17.—Senator Callahan's name will not go before the Illinois convention for indorsement as a candidate for the presidency. This is the result of much conferring by the Senator's friends. A program which is in the nature of a compromise has been agreed upon. It contemplates the selection of ex-Governor Oglesby, ex-Governor Fifer, Mr. Patterson, of the Tribune, and Mr. Nixon, of the Inter-Ocean, for the delegates at large. The proposition will be made to the McKinley side that these four delegates at large shall be sent to the convention without instructions for either Callahan or McKinley. Assurances have been given to Senator Callahan that this program can be carried through. John R. Tanner has a large number of McKinley delegates instructed for him as governor. He is to work upon such delegates as he can reach and induce them to consent to this program.

Not Exceeded in the History of the Weather Bureau.

CHICAGO, April 16.—The temperature in Chicago today at 3 p. m., was 84 degrees above zero. This heat has not been exceeded for the time of the year in the history of the local weather bureau. In two years only—1892 and 1891—was the same temperature recorded. The indications are that the weather will be cooler to-morrow. For several days it has been unusually hot and windy.

One Fare for the Round Trip to the National Conventions.

CHICAGO, April 17.—Western roads have agreed to make a rate of one fare for the round trip for the republican national convention at St. Louis. The same rate has been agreed to for the Democratic convention to be held in Chicago. The prohibitionists will be given the same rate for their convention at Pittsburgh. Tickets for St. Louis will be good to return June 31, and Chicago July 12, and to Pittsburgh May 30.

Meeting of the Democratic Congressional Committee.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—A meeting of the democratic congressional committee, with Senator Faulkner in the chair, was held last night, and the preliminary work of the campaign was mapped out. It was decided to send a number of speeches of senators and members of congress and various state papers round trip for the republican national convention at St. Louis. The same rate has been agreed to for the Democratic convention to be held in Chicago. The prohibitionists will be given the same rate for their convention at Pittsburgh. Tickets for St. Louis will be good to return June 31, and Chicago July 12, and to Pittsburgh May 30.

The Policy of the Canadian Government in the Manitoba School Question.

LONDON, April 17.—The St. James Gazette, in an article on the Manitoba school question, says that Sir Charles Dufferin's speech in the House of Commons clearly and concisely the policy of the Canadian government in the matter. The Dominion government, the paper says, has been consistent and persistent in trying to dispose of the difficulty without needless delay on the British and Maine railroad for the United States and 150 more left via the Grand Trunk railway. Railroad people say that the daily average of the French Canadian emigrants passing through Sherbrooke is about 100.

Sherbrooke, Que., April 17.—The exodus of the French Canadians into the United States goes on uninterruptedly. Fully 250 French Canadians from eastern Quebec left here last night via the Boston & Maine railroad for the United States and 150 more left via the Grand Trunk railway. Railroad people say that the daily average of the French Canadian emigrants passing through Sherbrooke is about 100.

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ENGLAND'S FINANCES.

Sir Michael-Hicks Beach, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

PAINTS A ROSEY PICTURE OF SUCCESS.

In the Management of the Fiscal Affairs of the Country and of General Prosperity and Contentment Among the People.

LONDON, April 17.—In the house of commons yesterday Sir Michael-Hicks Beach, financial secretary to the treasury, stated, in reply to a question by Mr. Patrick O'Brien, member for Kilkenny city, that the postmaster general was at the present time in communication with the postmaster general of the United States in regard to the future transmission of newspapers matter from the United States to England solely by American vessels, and was now awaiting an answer from the post office department in Washington.

But, he said, "it should be remembered that the postmaster general of the United States has the liberty to make his own arrangements."

At 4:35 o'clock Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, chancellor of the exchequer, rose, amid conservative cheers, to deliver the speech introducing the budget. He began by saying that despite the fact that the expenditure of the last fiscal year had been larger than that of any year since the last great war, the surplus in the treasury was the largest that had ever been known, and the credit of the country was never so high. The yield of consols to the purchaser, he said, was just about half what it was a century ago, and a larger sum had been applied to the reduction of the national debt than had ever before been applied to that end within a similar period. The deposits in savings banks and permanent accounts in ordinary banks had mounted to an unprecedented point, and the production of gold throughout the world had been the highest ever known. The amount of bullion in the Bank of England was \$19,000,000, and the reserve fund in the bank in proportion to its liabilities was the highest on record.

Continuing, Mr. Beach said the position of the working classes had never been so satisfactory, and the issue of produce stamps supplied the best possible measure of ascertaining that business transactions had never reached so great a volume. Although, he said, the past year had been a wonderful one.

The great triumph of a chancellor of the exchequer, he said, was when receipts and estimates were equal. The figures of this year became remarkably in respect of the receipts exceeding the estimates. Everything, he declared, had had an upward tendency, especially during the latter half of 1895.

The increase in the value of exports, imports, railway earnings and bank and clearinghouse returns showed a continuous expansion of trade. The revenue for the fiscal year had been \$101,974,000, while for the year 1894-95 the revenue had been only \$91,684,000, showing an increase of \$7,290,000, and making an excess of \$5,812,000 over the estimates.

A great feature had been in the increase of the revenue from tobacco, wine and tea, the latter having steadily driven coffee out of the market. British and Irish spirits had also driven foreign spirits out of the market. The export of spirits had declined 19 per cent, and the popular taste for rum was greatly lessening. Tea had yielded \$120,000 over the estimate, implying an increased consumption of 10,000,000 pounds of that commodity. In connection with this, he added, there was a large and welcome reduction of the tea trade from China to British India and Ceylon. The receipts from wines, he said, had been \$1,236,000. This seemed to be largely due to an increased consumption of vinous liquors by members of the stock exchange and speculators who, it appeared, consumed themselves. [Cheers.]

After referring to the great increase in the excise and debt duties, the chancellor turned to the expenses of the government, which he stated had reduced the total sum of \$97,784,000, leaving a surplus of \$4,206,000 which would be applied to the national defenses, as explained in the naval works bill. During the year, he continued, the national debt had been reduced \$3,134,000, the largest reduction on record, with the exception of the reduction during the year 1894-95. The unfunded debt stood at the lowest point it had reached in 21 years, and the funded debt had not materially increased since the Crimean war. In 38 years, he explained, \$2,000,000,000 of which had been paid in the last 11 years. [Cheers.]

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TO A HIGHER COURT.

Joseph Lewis, Called to Answer Indictments for Forgery.

SAID TO HAVE COMMITTED SUICIDE.

But the Court, Incredible, Ordered the Forfeiture of His Bail Bond of \$10,000—A Large Amount of Money Involved.

New York, April 16.—When the clerk in Part I, general sessions, today called the name of Joseph Lewis to answer to four indictments for forgery there was a startling announcement that the defendant was dead, having committed suicide this morning. The announcement was made by the firm representing the defense, but the recorder and assistant district attorney were incredulous and the recorder ordered that the bail for \$10,000 be forfeited.

The story of the charges against Lewis was a big one when it first came out. He was the manager of the firm of N. A. Schloss & Co., of 533 and 535 Broadway. The firm manufactured boys' clothing. Lewis alleged that he had been threatened by several hundred thousand dollars. The amount which was taken was never accurately ascertained, but was so large as to cause the failure of the firm in December, 1893, for more than a million dollars. The story that developed at that time was the talk of the clothing trade for months afterward.

The dispatch announcing the suicide purported to come from an undertaker of Philadelphia.

PENSION MATTERS.

A Bill to Restore the Rating of Pensions Under the Law of 1890, and to Restore Pensions Reduced and Discontinued.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—There was a long conference in Speaker Reed's committee room yesterday, at which were also present Messrs. Dingley, of Maine, Balch, of Pennsylvania, Payne, of New York, and Pickler of South Dakota.

Pickler's invalid pensions committee has recently completed a general administrative pension bill designed to facilitate the allowance of pensions. It restores the ratings on pensions under a law of 1890, which were in vogue under the Harrison act, and it replaces on the rolls the men who have been dismissed and re-establishes the pensions of those whose names have been reduced by the pension office. It further provides that no pension shall be discontinued or reduced hereafter except for fraud or recovery from disability. The bill changes of less importance. It increases the pension budget between \$2,000,000 and \$3,000,000 annually.

The purpose of the conference was to consider this measure, correct its phraseology, where necessary, and so perfect its legal form as not only to afford an opportunity to the pensioners, but also to the pension office, to be again submitted by Mr. Pickler to his committee.

It was also agreed that debate on the measure shall be practically unlimited in order that all the members who desire to be heard upon the subject should have an opportunity to be heard. It is not unlikely that these debates may last a week. Mr. Pickler believes that the importance of the measure is so far-reaching that it will be passed by the senate before adjournment.

TO VOTE FOR MCKINLEY.

Tennessee Delegates to the St. Louis Convention Instructed.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 17.—The anomaly was witnessed yesterday of the election of Congressman Foster V. Brown, a strong supporter of Reed, as delegate to St. Louis from this, the third congressional district, which is almost unanimously for McKinley.

Mr. Brown's running mate and also a man with Reed tendencies. Instructions to cast their votes for McKinley so long as the state remained in line for that candidate, were imposed upon them.

The Spanish Election.

MADRID, April 17.—A scrutiny of the returns of the recent elections for members of the cortes shows that the recorded votes in Madrid exceeded the total number of voters in the city. Everyone of the conservative candidates was elected. Marquis Cabranes, who some time ago revealed the rottenness in the municipal administration and who was consequently offensive to the government, has been defeated, and the loss of his seat was a severe blow to him. He was defeated when he stood for election to the chamber of deputies.

He has protested against the elections, asserting that votes cast for him were credited to other candidates.

The Wreck of the British Ship Blairmore.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—The inquiry into the wreck in the bay on the 9th inst. of the British ship Blairmore and the loss of her crew was commenced yesterday.

The inquiry was held by Capt. Chan, who was the first witness, told the story of the sinking of the vessel. He testified that the Blairmore was perfectly seaworthy. She had no peculiarities and was not cranky. Second Mate McDonald testified that the Blairmore was always considered cranky. The crew did not like her at all and many complaints were made.

George Bunker, the clothing man of St. Paul, has learned the Schneider building, which was completed by Goodwin & Son, and will open up a stock of clothing and furnishing goods July 1.

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MOON'S PHASES.
Last quarter, 4th; new moon, 12th; first quar-
ter, 20th; full moon, 27th.

CITY ELECTION.

Aldermen.
First Ward.....AL. N. DIEHL
Second Ward.....R. K. MONTGOMERY
Third Ward.....GEORGE F. DEWITT
Fourth Ward.....JAMES W. LOY
Fifth Ward.....ED. P. WILLS
Sixth Ward.....P. K. HAMILTON
Seventh Ward.....OSCAR D. HILL

CONGRESSIONAL TICKET.

17th District.
For Congress.....JAMES A. CONNOLLY
For Member State of Equalization.....THOMAS N. LEAVITT
For Elector.....H. N. SCHUYLER

The frost that kills the fruit crop every spring is due.

This is Arbor Day throughout Illinois. Exercises were held at three Decatur schools.

Quite a number of the people Holmes claims to have killed are insisting that he lied about it. This may properly be regarded as a question of veracity.

Some time ago the combine predicted there would be a reaction against McKinley but just the same about sixty per cent of the delegates elected continue to be for the Ohio man.

Mrs. Woodward, an American newspaper reporter, who is now in Havana, has interviewed General Weyler and reports him as being a man but little above five feet tall and very free to suggest that the United States had better keep its hands off Spain's affairs if it wants to keep out of trouble.

The A. P. A. is reported to have been notified by those at the head of the order that it is opposed to the nomination of McKinley, and that those at the head of the order are attending Republican state conventions and there urge that McKinley must not be endorsed. There is this feature as to this movement which, so far as we know has not been explained. The A. P. A. is said to be non-partisan and, being so, some of those at the head of the order who are interfering at Republican state conventions, it is fair to presume, are Democrats. Then what right has a Democrat to attempt to dictate to a Republican state convention who it shall or shall not endorse? On the other hand, if they may dictate to a Republican state convention, why do they not display the same interest in the Democratic conventions that are being held? There is another feature of this event that is hard to understand. Not long ago the same officials denounced Senator Cullom and others for their votes in the senate confirming the appointment of General Coppinger, but now Cullom is said to be all right and McKinley is all wrong. It is safe to predict that in the light of these facts the officials will have future explanations to make to the membership. If it should prove that the A. P. A. activity against McKinley is part of the play of the combine, which is trying to defeat McKinley, the order as a whole, will suffer for the conduct of those who misrepresent it.

An Abundance of Politics.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: From the present indications there will be a larger supply of politics in the country in 1896 than anybody six or eight months ago expected. The prohibitionists, who form the oldest of all the "third" parties, will have a ticket in the field, and so, probably, will the Populists, while there is a chance that the so-called bimetallicists, who are really silver monometallicists, will also put up candidates. Within the past few days a re-enforcement to the ranks of the minor parties which will make nominations has been promised from the A. P. A. Here are four presidential tickets, in addition to those of the two great parties. Politics thus takes on a variegated appearance which was entirely undreamed of in the earlier days of the government.

When the abolitionists a little over half a century ago first began to "look by themselves" they were called impracticables and fanatics by the great mass of the people. "Why don't you fight your battles inside of party lines?" was the question which was put to the men who left the Democrats and Whigs in 1840 and 1844 and supported Birney for President. A "third" party had never been seen in national politics before that time except in 1828, when the anti-Masons nominated William Wirt. Subsequently, or in 1848 and 1852, the more moderate anti-slavery men, or the Free Soilers, put up tickets, and in the Buchanan and Fremont campaign the Republican and Democratic parties were split by the "free-soil" issue. The "free-soil" issue was the question which was put to the men who left the Democrats and Whigs in 1840 and 1844 and supported Birney for President. A "third" party had never been seen in national politics before that time except in 1828, when the anti-Masons nominated William Wirt. Subsequently, or in 1848 and 1852, the more moderate anti-slavery men, or the Free Soilers, put up tickets, and in the Buchanan and Fremont campaign the Republican and Democratic parties were split by the "free-soil" issue.

In the possibilities of partisan diversification had been reached.

Yet in some of the recent canvasses the record of 1890 in the number of tickets was beaten, and it promises to be beaten in a still greater degree in 1896. In 1890, of course, the smaller parties polled a heavy popular vote, and secured a good deal of strength in the Electoral College, while only one of the three minor parties, the Populist, in the field of 1892, gained any electoral votes. The indications are that neither that nor any other of the "third" parties will secure any electors this year, yet the great number to which the parties have attained gives an interest to the canvass which, under existing conditions, could not otherwise be secured. Almost every shade of political belief will be represented in the campaign. The man who can not find something to suit him in this variegated array of parties may well be an object of wonder or distrust to his countrymen.

FOR CLEANING BRASS.

The Ashes Which Accumulate in a Stove Are Excellent.

"Throw it out," said one. "Give it away," said another. As it seems a poor kind of giving to bestow that which is worthless to yourself, the last advice was not followed. But the rose shade was no handsome, and the colored glass jewels and hanging drops all intact, it provoked sundry experiments; and the result is a restoration to beauty and usefulness of a lamp that was an eyesore for its verdigris-covered brass-work, says Womanland.

In most stoves a very fine powder accumulates that is not ashes, yet has the essence of the wood in it. Part of this, in one saucer, was moistened well, and another saucer held the dry powder, a pan of good soap suds stood near, and a piece of sheepskin was at hand.

With a tooth brush all the brass was well scoured, then washed in the suds and dried. At this point there was not much encouragement, but now the dry powder and sheepskin were vigorously applied, and, to the surprise of the skeptics, the brass shone with a soft lustre very superior to even the hard brilliancy of newness.

This powder will restore the brass rods when tarnished and fly-specked, and an occasional rub with a woolen cloth or piece of sheepskin dipped in the dry powder will keep them in good condition.

TASTE IN MILLINERY.

The Value of a Becoming Bonnet Can Hardly Be Calculated.

One's gown may be simple, may have been made over a number of times, may, indeed, be almost shabby, but if the bonnet is becoming, all else is forgotten.

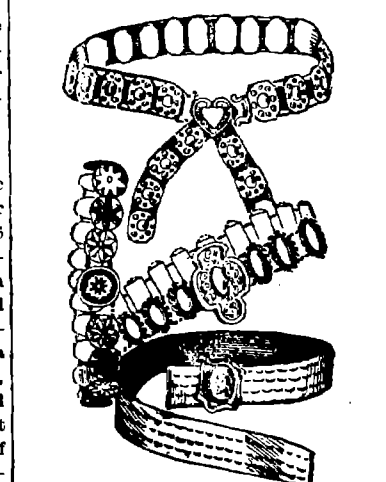
One's bonnet has much to do with bringing out the virtues or otherwise, not only of one's eyes and hair, but of one's skin and the shape of one's head. The round-faced, plump beauty must give up her ties unless they are of the narrowest and looped with so much care that the idea of framing the full moon is not suggested. She whose face is slender (patience gives that name to thinness), then there must be a soft, full framing and broad loops that will tone down all angles. She who is tall must admire rose, pale blue and heliotrope on other women, choosing golden brown, that most charitable of tones, deep crimson, and if a light evening color is required, a delicate shrimp to make the yellow of her skin white. The rule may be chosen rose, dark blue, all reds, dark green, glowing purple and black to gain color, while she of the rosy cheeks selects pale blue, heliotrope, olive, cream white and crimson, if she wishes them not to look like roses. If your eyes are dull do not make them seem more so by putting sparkling jet or brilliant rhinestones near them. Boston Budget.

NOVELTIES IN BELTS.

All the Stylish Bands for Summer Costumes Are Narrow.

Fancy belts have become as much of a necessity to a handsome costume as the material itself, and in many cases the "chicness" of a gown is dependent upon the band which encircles the waist.

Jeweled bands met with large half-pendant buckles are richly studied with colored stones, deeply sunk into flexible bands of gilt, or silver, or in round, square or oblong pieces held together by links. While these are by far the handsomest of imitation belts,



they are the most expensive, costing \$10, \$12 or \$15. Gilt or silver bands are sold as low as 95 cents.

Spangled elastic bands and enameled belts are also among the newer styles, which promise to be much worn this season. Leather belts are most useful; has undergone a great change of fashion since last season, particularly in width. All belts are now narrow, except the broad elastic bands, which are used when "in the field or on the road."

Potatoes in a Maitre d'Hotel.

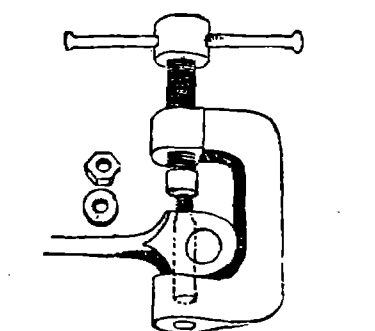
Boil the usual quantity of potatoes for a dish; peel and cut them into slices rather thicker than for frying; put them in a stewpan with two ounces of butter, and when that is dissolved add two tablespoonsful of bullion, a teaspoonful of salt, half as much pepper, a teaspoonful of minced parsley and olive and half a teaspoonful of vinegar. Shake the pan round, and when quite hot serve the slices in the sauce.

There are a few regulations and I can give you the motto, "Be a genius." The first commandment is a bottle of De Salvo's Compound. It is the famous French tonic. West's Drug Store.

NEW BICYCLE TOOL.

A Screw Vice for the Cleaning and Repairing of Wheels.

A practical novelty, which really fills a long-felt want, will be very much appreciated, not only by every wheelman who takes good care of his bicycle, but it will soon be considered indispensable in every repair shop. One of the most



difficult operations in cleaning a wheel is the taking out of the crank pins, which fasten the pedal cranks to the crank-axle. These pins are ordinarily wedged in very tightly, and it is only by using a peg and hammer that they can be gotten out. Now many of the parts immediately in touch with the pin are of very hard steel, but brittle to a certain extent. Hammering will therefore be liable to injure these very delicate parts and will certainly make the pins useless in a very short time. With the new appliance these crank pins are driven out by great force, applied gradually by means of a screw vice, which has been constructed for this purpose. The illustration tells better than any description how it is done, and its simplicity will be apparent to everyone who has occasion to take out the crank pins in order to clean the bearings of the crank axle.

Long-Distance Bicycle Records.

There is an annex of bicyclists who have each made a record of more than 1,000 miles in 1895 and received a medal therefor in the New York Athletic club, and they have rolled up a total of 284,634 miles in the year. One member, a business man, has a record of nearly 13,000 miles, an average of 35 miles a day, winter and summer, rain or shine.

Did the Pharaohs Ride Wheels? Egyptian figures found on obelisks mounted on two-wheeled vehicles show the Pharaohs had some idea of the velocipede.

How's This?

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honest in all his business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

West & Traux, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Cheney's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Hall's Family Pills are the best. We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

Miss Mary F. Kellogg, of Tremont, spent Easter in Jerusalem. She will spend the summer in Holland.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed in the Spring, when the languor, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the material poison of Headache, indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, yield to Electric Bitters. Only 50 cents per bottle at King & Metz's drug store. am

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale by King & Metz.

G. W. Greely has held the office of school treasurer of Elm Grove township, Tazewell county, since 1885, but owing to failing health will retire.

Dr. L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., and the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a dollar bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of old Cough on hand that completely baffled me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

It is said by fishermen that fishing is better in the Salt Fork, at Homer this year than it has been in a number of years.

Quick in effect, heals and leaves no scar. Burning, scaly skin eruptions quickly cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Applied to burns, scalds, old sores, it is magical in its effect. Always cures piles. West's Drug Store.

Ellisha Curry, of Somer township, Champaign county, died Sunday. He leaves nine children and lost three.

One Minute Cough Cure touches the right spot. It also touches it at the right time if you take it when you have a cough or cold. See the point? Then don't cough. West's Drug Store.

The government fish hatchery is to be located at Quiver, near Havana.

Have You Had the Grip? If you have, you probably need a reliable medicine like Foley's Honey and Tar to heal your lungs and stop the racking cough incidental to this disease. Neider Drug & Supply Co. and N. L. Krone.

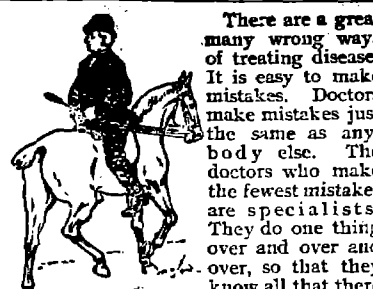
A Life for 50c.

Many people have been cured of Kidney diseases by taking a 50c. bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure. Neider Drug & Supply Co. and N. L. Krone. April 7-daw

The acreage of oats in Tazewell county is greatly increased over last year.

SOOTHING, healing, cleansing, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the enemy to sores, wounds and piles, which it never fails to cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures chapped lips and cold sores in two or three hours. West's Drug Store.

A general warning is one of the latest evangelical agencies and is opposed by the Door of Hope mission in Peoria.



There are a great many wrong ways of treating disease. It is easy to make mistakes. Doctors make mistakes just the same as anybody else. The doctors who make the fewest mistakes are the specialists. They do one thing over and over and over, so that they know all that there is to know about it.

In the 30 years that Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets have been sold, hundreds of thousands of people have taken them, and have been cured by them. There is no longer any possible question of their efficacy. They are the product of experience, tried by time. They are intended to cure constipation. They are good for men, women and children. They are tiny, sugar coated granules, very easy to take, very quick in their action. One "Pellet" is a gentle laxative, two "Pellets" a milk cathartic. A great many people make the mistake of "sandbagging" their digestive organs. They take some strong and violent medicine, which creates worse troubles than it cures. Strong purgatives shock the system unnecessarily, and they do not cure constipation. Constipation is a thing that makes people listless and languid; makes their breath bad; wakes them up with foul taste in their mouths; puts black spots before their eyes; makes them dizzy; causes headache; makes them bilious; produces pimples and blotches—runs into all sorts of serious consequences. All this is cured by Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets—cured absolutely, perfectly, permanently.

Send 21 one-cent stamps to cover cost of mailing only, and receive absolutely gratis, Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, and find out how to keep yourself and family healthy; contains 1008 pages, over 600 illustrations and over 650,000 copies have been sold at 25c each. The new edition of 500,000 copies is to be given away absolutely free. Write to Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

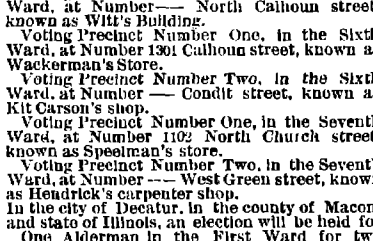
ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that on Tuesday, the 21st day of April, 1896.

Meet at—
Voting Precinct Number One, in the First Ward, at Number 430 East North street, known as Shing's Barber Shop.
Voting Precinct Number Two, in the First Ward, at Number 170 North Water street, known as Barber Shop.
Voting Precinct Number One, in the Second Ward, at Number 333 North Main street, known as J. G. Starr & Sons' Hardware Co.
Voting Precinct Number Two, in the Second Ward, at the rear of Number 747 West Yairie avenue, known as R. H. Montgomery's barn.
Voting Precinct Number One, in the Third Ward, at Number 121 Monroe street, known as Newell's Building.
Voting Precinct Number Two, in the Third Ward, at Number 201 West Wood street, known as Danks's barn.
Voting Precinct Number One, in the Fourth Ward, at Number 606 South Webster street, known as Jacobs' Grocery store.
Voting Precinct Number Two, in the Fourth Ward, at Number 200 South Broadway street, known as Adams' Barber Shop.
Voting Precinct Number One, in the Fifth Ward, at 900 East Eldorado street, known as Kraft's Printing Works.
Voting Precinct Number Two, in the Fifth Ward, at Number 121 Calhoun street, known as Will's Building.
Voting Precinct Number One, in the Sixth Ward, at Number 121 Calhoun street, known as Wackerman's Store.
Voting Precinct Number Two, in the Sixth Ward, at Number 102 North Church street, known as Steinman's store.
Voting Precinct Number One, in the Seventh Ward, at Number 102 North Church street, known as Hendrick's corner shop.
In the city of Decatur, in the county of Macon, and state of Illinois, an election will be held for One Alderman in the First Ward for two years.
One Alderman in the Second Ward for two years.
One Alderman in the Third Ward for two years.
One Alderman in the Fourth Ward for two years.
One Alderman in the Fifth Ward for two years.
One Alderman in the Sixth Ward for two years.
One Alderman in the Seventh Ward for two years.
Which election will be opened at seven o'clock in the morning, and shall be closed at five o'clock in the evening of that day.
Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 1st day of April, in the year of our Lord One Thousand, Eight Hundred and Ninety-six.
F. L. HAYS, City Clerk.

OUR MILLINERY DEPARTMENT

Is crowded every day. Why is this? It is because people know they can save money on their spring hat besides getting the correct style. We sell millinery at the profits some people sell shirtings. Our goods are all for sale and we put the price on them to make them go. We are yours for good goods at lowest prices to be found in Decatur.



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W. GUSHARD & CO.

DRY GOODS AND MILLINERY

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GAS FOR FUEL,

\$1.25 a Thousand.

GAS RANGES,

At Cost.

Cheaper Fuel

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a Gallon.

No Dirt.

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No Danger.

No Insurance

Permit Necessary.

The Price of Gas for fuel has been reduced--after May 1st to \$1.25 a thousand--not for the summer alone, but all the year round. You cannot afford to use any other fuel.

Cheaper than Gasoline Stove. The Best Made. Lots of them on exhibition at the Decatur Gas Light and Coke Company's in the Pasfield Building on North Main street.

TAKE YOUR CHOICE

At the Cost to Manufacture.

For instance, a beautiful gas range with four holes, oven and broiler ONLY \$16. Remember, you can do any kind of cooking to perfection on a gas range and when the meal is finished the expense of fuel stops and you use only the fuel you need.

We sell gas ranges at cost because we know that when you have once used gas as a fuel you will never quit it. It is the best, safest, cheapest fuel you can use.

Call at our office and let us show you our line of beautiful gas ranges.

DECATUR GAS LIGHT & COKE CO.,

Pasfield Building, North Main Street.

SPENCER & LEHMAN'S.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY.

In the Circuit Court, Macon county, Illinois.

James E. O'Brien, Edw. E. Hill, No. 1672, Bill to Foreclose Mortgage.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a decree of the circuit court of Macon county, state of Illinois, entered at the above entitled cause, at the January term, A. D. 1895, of said court, James E. O'Brien, master-in-chancery, of said court, will on

Saturday, April 25, 1896, at the hour of 3 o'clock p. m., at the north door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in the county of Macon, offer for sale at public auction the highest and best bidder for cash in hand, subject to redemption according to law, the real estate in said decree ordered to be sold, being described as follows:

Lot one (1) and two (2), in Block two (2), of J. C. O'Brien's Addition of Out-Lots in the City of Decatur, Illinois.

Dated at Decatur, Illinois, this 24 day of April, 1896.

JAMES E. FINN, Master-in-Chancery.

Leopoldus & Lutz, Solicitors. [Apr 24-96]

Our Spring S

The New and pr wear; quite differ ordinary Ready clothes. Ours ar Kind, Up to Date.

At \$10, \$12, \$15 we show the Cheviots, Worsteds and Cassi

Our Cheap Suits at \$6.00 and \$8.5 can be sold for those prices. lect from.

Pantaloon, all wool, at \$2.00, \$2. Big Stock; All Styles.

Boys' and Children's Department.

SUITS FROM \$1.25 UPWARD.

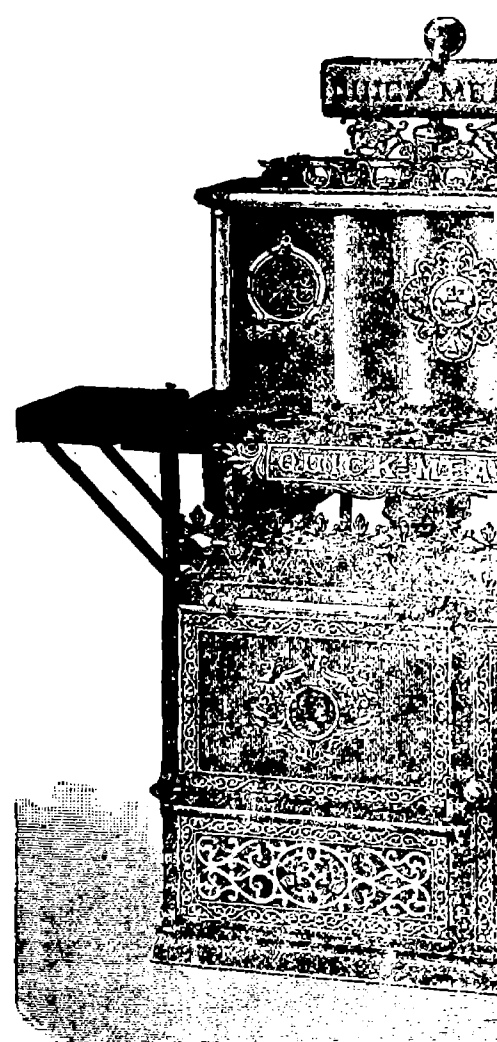
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MILLINERY
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RE GOING TO MAKE SUCH PRICES ON
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surprise you. Every one is looking for some-
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Our aim is HIGHEST in quality and always
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and Ties.
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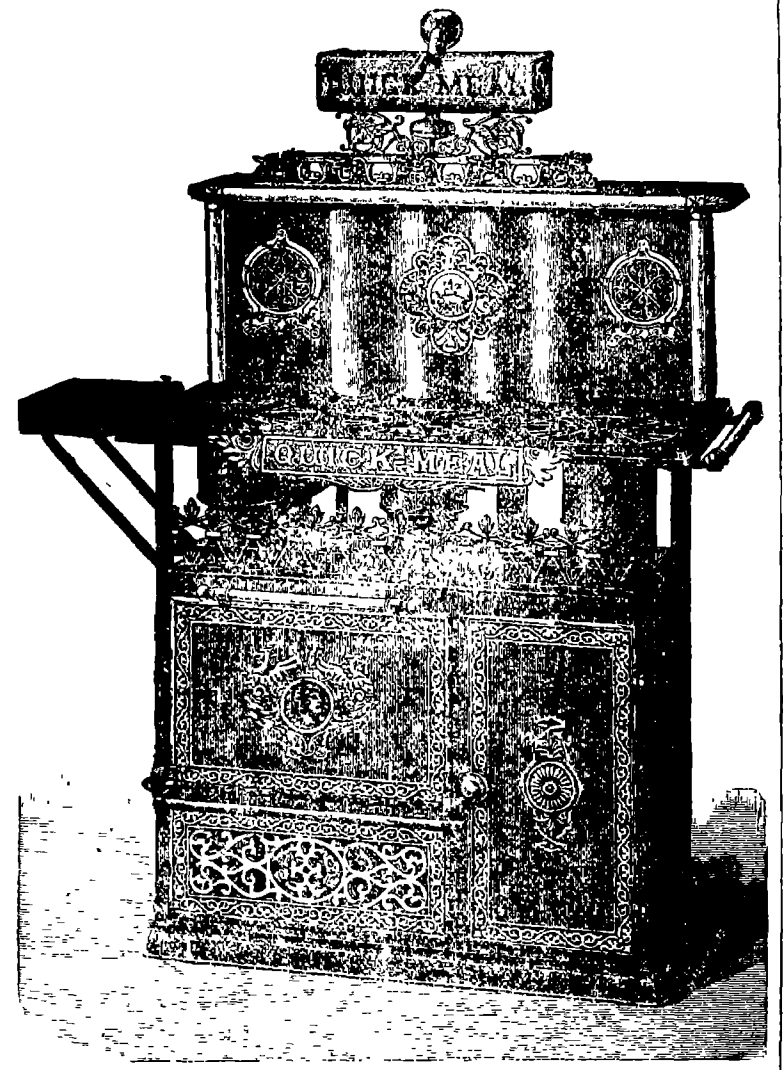
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Spring Styles in Haberdashery.
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The largest and most elegant line of Persian Silk Neck-
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100 dozen Percase Shirts in all styles, viz: Collars attached
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Daily Republican
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CHASE & SANBORN'S
COFFEES?
Only Sold at
"The Economy,"
221 North Water Street.
FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1896.
LOCAL NEWS.

Use Irwin's Harmless Headache pow-
ders.
Dr. H. P. Bachman, dentist rooms 7,
8 and 9, in Temple block. 5 dft
Sleeth is the only photographer in the
city who guarantees satisfaction.
John A. Dawson has filed his bond as
assignee for L. B. Casner, of the Farmers'
bank.
The Grand Opera House cigars made
by Johnny Weigand are the best in town.
much 25-dft
What's the matter with you? Consti-
pated? Cascaros will cure. Eat them
like candy.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
Lowney's first-class chocolates and
World's Premium box candies are handled
exclusively by Whitley.
Finest assortment of carriages, surreys
and road wagons in Decatur at Leon &
Morris, 138 East Wood street. jan14dft
Garden and flower seeds of all kinds,
sweet peas and nasturtium in bulk. Geo.
S. Durfee & Bro., 158 South Water street.
much 19 dft
The popular Holden Comedy company
at the Grand all next week. Change of
bill every night. Prices 10, 20 and 30
cents.
Armstrong Bros., druggists, have
moved into the Chenoweth Block, next
building to their former location.
April 11-dft

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
The Buyers and Merchants' Benefit
Bureau saves you 4 per cent on your
entire living expenses. Call upon the man-
ager, L. Chodot, and learn how.
Go to Spencer & Lehman company for
fine surveys, canopy and extension top-
buggies and road wagons, and a full
line of medium grade vehicles.
Feb. 26, d&w tf
Don't forget the C. B. Prescott music
house when you want the best pianos and
organs to be had for the money. The
Reed & Son's and Haines upright instru-
ments are the leaders.
When you buy a piano you want the
best for the money. When the piano
needs tuning secure the best workman.
Leave orders at Prescott's. John Fears,
tuner. April 8-dft

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
Rev. E. B. Calkins will preach at the op-
era house next Sunday afternoon at 3
o'clock. His subject will be "Tis Com-
ing, 'Tis Coming." There will be no
admission charged. A general invitation
is extended to all.
The brick masons have commenced
work on the new building which Paul
Hickish is going to erect on the site of
the old Roby. He will use the building
as a bicycle store and repair shop.
Applicants for garden seeds made to the
department of agriculture from this sec-
tion have not received attention. The de-
partment was to complete the distribution
by April 17. If the delay is extended
much longer the seeds will be of no use
this season in this part of the country.
No better soil coal in this market than
Lincoln or Riverton. Buy it of M. F.
Metz. Personally he can be found at the
yard office, 800 North Broadway. For
Broadway office: Old Phone 433; New
Phone 435. Also leave orders with T. W.
Cann 628 North Main or with Harry
Metz at King & Metz' drug store. Hard
coal all sizes, always in stock at market
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Hand-
kerchiefs,
8 and
10c each.
500 dozen Handkerchiefs
at 8 and 10 cents each.
Some are Embroidered,
some are Lace Edged and
some Plain. They are the
kind that usually sell for
15, 20 and 25 cents each.

Readley Bros.
Decorating

THE J. D. TAIT ESTATE.
Valuable Property Left to the Widow
and Two Sons.
In the county court Thursday afternoon
was filed the last will of the late James D.
Tait.
The estate comprises 250 acres of farm
lands, lot 8 block 2 Durfee & King's ad-
dition, personal property valued at \$500
and rents due to the amount of about
\$700. The will was executed February 1,
1892, and attested by D. L. Bunn and Ed-
win Park. The sons, Joseph S. and Felix
Tait, are named as executors without
bond.
To the son, Joseph, is bequeathed 90
acres in section 35, 17, 2 east, and 40 acres
in section 2, 16, 2 east, and to the son,
Felix, 80 acres in section 35, 17, 2 east,
and 40 acres in section 2, 16, 2 east. Each
son also takes half the personal property.
The will states that it is the intention
to make equal bequests to the sons and
that as the value of the land left to Joseph
exceeds that of the land left to Felix by
\$1,285, and as testator has advanced to
Felix sums of money amounting to \$1,
400, leaving a balance of \$1,285, said Jo-
seph shall take his share subject to a lien
in favor of Felix for \$642.50, which shall
be paid within one year of the probate of
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High School.
Arbor Day was well celebrated in this
city. The members of the senior class at
the High School have taken the matter up
and today planted a tree and held appro-
priate exercises. It was the first class
that has ever observed the day. After the
school had been dismissed this afternoon
the members of the class, numbering
about 250, gathered in the yard east of the
building. A young elm tree had been
selected and was planted in the ground.
With it was buried a glass jar in which
were the names of all the boys and girls
in the class. The opening address was
made by Geo. Johnson. He told the ori-
gin of the day and gave a history of what
had been done at different times. He
spoke of the different manner in which it
was observed in different states. He dwelt
especially upon the fact that the day was
observed mostly by the students of the
schools. Miss Florence Hutchinson read
a prophesy of the tree. She said that the
members of the class would in after years
look upon the tree with pride and told
what might possibly be the history of the
tree. Miss Anna Hutchinson recited the
poem by George P. Morris, "Woodman,
Spare That Tree," and an appropriate
poem was given by Miss Grace Ebel.
Several songs were sung by the members
of the class. The exercises were quite in-
teresting as they were the first of the kind
that have ever been held at the High
school.

LARGE PREMIUMS FOR CORN.
Champaign, the Champion Corn County.
Intends to Keep First Place.
Champaign county claims to be the
best corn producing county in the United
States. On a short crop last year the
yield in the county was 11,429,000 bush-
els. The County Fair association is offer-
ing general sweepstake premiums on corn
for the whole county. Next the associa-
tion offers four cash premiums for corn
grown in the different townships of the
county. These make up 119 cash premi-
ums. In addition to all this, merchants
and tradesmen in the different towns offer
special premiums in cash and merchan-
dise, making the aggregate number of pre-
miums 317, and their aggregate value is
about \$1,600. This is the largest
aggregate of premiums ever offered on
corn in this county.

Will Rebuild at Once.
Daniel Moore has decided to rebuild his
cooper shop on Walsh avenue, which
was destroyed by fire last Sunday. The
building was a frame one but Mr. Moore
will erect a one story brick building 30x
60 feet. Charles Moffet has the contract
for the work. Mr. Moore had no insur-
ance on his building but he is anxious to
start his business again and will have the
building started as soon as possible.
N. A. Crum also expects to rebuild in
the same place. The insurance has not
yet been entirely adjusted and the ruins
remain the same as they were after the
fire. In the meantime Mr. Crum will
occupy a building near the depot which
he has rented.
H. E. Foster will repair the frame house
which was partially destroyed. The house
was badly burned but not so much that
it cannot be repaired.

The May Wedding Reception.
The marriage of J. W. May, of Dalton
City, and Miss Grace Mares, of Decatur,
was celebrated in this city on the eve-
ning of April 15. A grand reception was
held at the home of the groom near Dal-
ton City on Thursday. A splendid din-
ner was served, and the happy couple re-
ceived many useful and ornamental gifts.
Those in attendance from Decatur were:
Fred Turpin, Hayward Howland, Ger-
trude Chaplin, Maude Mares, Mrs. Gayard
and Mrs. Mares. In the evening a party
was given in honor of the couple by
James Marks and Perry Brown. It was
a merry affair.

Got off Easy.
James Tuttle and Lewis Fullmer, the
young man who stole bicycles from Dodd
& Co., were before Justice Hardy yester-
day for a hearing. They were represented
by Attorney W. N. Andrews and by his
advice they waived examination in order
to throw themselves upon the tender
mercies of Judge Hamner in the county
court. They accordingly went before
Judge Hamner and pleaded guilty to
petit larceny. They were each fined \$10
and costs and sentenced to the county jail
for thirty days. Commitment on the
fine and costs was suspended for four
months.

An Enjoyable Social.
At the Congregational church last
night the Endeavor society gave a social
that was fairly well attended. This pro-
gram was given:
Piano Solo—Miss Edna Bunn.
Reading—Miss Winifred Elliott.
Quartet—Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bunn and
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Gher.
Reading—Miss Irwin.
Vocal Solo—Miss Jessie Brown.
Ice cream and cake were served and
candies were sold.

Fishing at the Dam.
These are lively days for fishing at the
water works dam. Cart loads of the fish
are taken out every night by gangs of
men who are there with dip nets. The
parties cannot lug the fish away on
strings, and so they get carts and spring
wagons in which they pull the fish up
town to be disposed of at the homes of the
netters or sold to the hotel or restaurant
men.

Settled.
The habeas corpus case booked to come
up before Judge Vail next Monday will be
dismissed. William Schepper now has
possession of his child which had been
kept from him by Mr. and Mrs. Bastob,
the grand parents.

Minneapolis Club Party.
The members of the Minneapolis club
are arranging to give a reception and
party in the near future at the K. P. hall.
Committees will act for the club and re-
port in a few days.

ARBOR DAY.
Interesting Exercises Held at the
Schools—Addresses and
Recitations.
TREES PLACED IN THE SCHOOL YARD.
Observance of the Governor's Procla-
mation—Elms Put in the Ground
to Grow and Spread—At
the High School.

Today is Arbor Day, the time for the
planting of trees in this state. The day is
authorized by a special act of the state
legislature which says that the governor
shall each year issue a proclamation set-
ting apart a day to be observed through-
out the state as the time for planting
trees, shrubs and vines. On March 25 the
proclamation was issued by the governor.
Samuel J. Inglis, the state superintendent
of public instruction has sent out to the
schools teachers in all parts of the state a
circular letter asking that they lead the
pupils of their schools in the observation
of the day. It is estimated that at least
50,000 shade trees will be planted today
by the school children throughout the
state.

High School.
Arbor Day was well celebrated in this
city. The members of the senior class at
the High School have taken the matter up
and today planted a tree and held appro-
priate exercises. It was the first class
that has ever observed the day. After the
school had been dismissed this afternoon
the members of the class, numbering
about 250, gathered in the yard east of the
building. A young elm tree had been
selected and was planted in the ground.
With it was buried a glass jar in which
were the names of all the boys and girls
in the class. The opening address was
made by Geo. Johnson. He told the ori-
gin of the day and gave a history of what
had been done at different times. He
spoke of the different manner in which it
was observed in different states. He dwelt
especially upon the fact that the day was
observed mostly by the students of the
schools. Miss Florence Hutchinson read
a prophesy of the tree. She said that the
members of the class would in after years
look upon the tree with pride and told
what might possibly be the history of the
tree. Miss Anna Hutchinson recited the
poem by George P. Morris, "Woodman,
Spare That Tree," and an appropriate
poem was given by Miss Grace Ebel.
Several songs were sung by the members
of the class. The exercises were quite in-
teresting as they were the first of the kind
that have ever been held at the High
school.

At the Jasper Street School.
The children at the Jasper street school
also held a celebration. The following
program was given: "Influence of the
Forest," Frank Doetz; "Benefit of the
Forest," Josie Burns; spring song, by the
first grade; "The Cary Tree," Mabel
Brant; "Beautiful Things," Vic Cuvie;
"God's House," Luella Onkes; "The
Tree," Clara McNeil; recitation, Hazel
King; blossom drill by the first grade;
"The Secret," Guy La Fountaine; "Arbor
Day," Dot Bevans; "A Little Seed," sec-
ond grade; "Thank God for the Tree,"
Blanche Head; "Miss Willows," Hattie
Brot; "Pussy Willow," sung by the first
and second grade; "What do You Plant
When You Plant a Tree," Brennie Wil-
son; "The Squirrel Tree," Carl Head and
Floyd Holser; "He Who Plants a Tree,"
George Brant; recitation, "How it Came,"
by seven little girls; "Why and Because,"
Joe McDonald and George Bruce; "Death
of the Giant," Pearl Leib; ward drill by
the fourth grade; Arbor Day anthem by
the school.

At Durfee School.
Exercises were held by the children at
the H. B. Durfee school this afternoon.
The school sang "America," and a recita-
tion was given by Stella Durban. The
school sang an anthem entitled "Arbor
Day," and Mr. Davidson read a scripture
lesson from the old testament. The gov-
ernor's proclamation and the state super-
intendent's letter were also read. Fannie
Logan gave a recitation, "Woodman,
Spare That Tree." The children then
took a vote on which should be the tree
and the flower of the state.

METHODISTS TO MEET.
The Great Gathering to be Held at Cleve-
land in May.
The general conference of the Methodist
Episcopal church is to be held in Cleve-
land, Ohio, beginning May 1 and lasting
perhaps through the month.
This is a quadrennial session and Bish-
op Thomas Bowman of St. Louis will
preside the first day.
The conference will be made up of nearly
300 lady delegates and twice as many
ministerial, representing the conferences
in the United States, Europe, China, Ja-
pan, Mexico and India.
One of the principal topics of the discus-
sion will be the woman question. For
eight years the church has been regularly
agitated by the proposition to allow
women to serve as lady delegates. There
are some who believe that women are en-
titled to serve by virtue of the laws now
in force. But the judgment of the church
has been against this view.
A constitutional amendment is now be-
ing voted upon which, if adopted by a
three-fourths vote of the clergy in annual
conferences and by two-thirds of the Gen-
eral Conference, will settle the matter fully
and finally. The last conferences are
voting this week.
There are four women who have been
elected, although technically they have ac-
yet no seats. The conference will, how-
ever, validate the previous election if the
woman question carries.

Another matter to be considered is the
problem of establishing Episcopal res-
idences in Europe, Japan, China, and
possibly South America. India is under
the jurisdiction of Dr. Shortall, one of
the two missionary bishops. Bishop Tay-
lor is stationed in Africa. The other mis-
sions are growing rapidly and feel the

need of a bishop on their soil or who can
be at hand permanently.
At present and for years it has been the
custom for one of the American bishops
to visit the missions of Japan and China
and for others to visit Europe.
The missionary conferences have ur-
gently indicated a desire to have a more
effective system of supervision.
No one can accurately forecast the ac-
tion at Cleveland, but it looks as though
one bishop will be assigned an Episcopal
residence in Europe and one in the Orient,
at least.
The election of a new bishop will also
be considered. There are sixteen now,
besides the two missionary bishops. The
committee on Episcopacy will probably
have some recommendation to make.
The General conference will probably
determine on two, three, or at the out-
side, four more bishops.
It is inevitable that the time limit will
be discussed. A large per cent of pas-
tors and people prefer that the limit be
removed.
It is probable that the conference will
devise a compromise by which in certain
emergencies the pastors' terms may be
lengthened beyond the five-year rule.
Literary Notes.
The Lincoln paper in the May Mc-
Clure's will contain some very interesting
unpublished letters and anecdotes, show-
ing Lincoln's rare tact and sagacity as a
political manager, even as a young man.
It will also describe Lincoln's life in
Washington as a member of congress in
1847-1849, and reproduce from the news-
paper in which it was reported at the time
an important but now unknown speech
of Lincoln's made in New England in
1848. A number of rare pictures will ap-
pear with the paper.
Mr. Will H. Low, the artist, will have
in McClure's Magazine for May a paper
on Millet, whose painting "The Angelus"
sold a few years ago for \$150,000—the high-
est price ever paid for a modern painting.
Mr. Low visited Millet several times in
his studio, and his paper will embrace
some interesting reminiscences from these
visits. Careful reproductions of the more
famous of Millet's pictures will illustrate
the paper.
At the High School.
The members of the Sapphonian society
will hold an open meeting this evening.
An elaborate program has been arranged.
One feature of the entertainment will be
the production of one scene from the
"Merchant of Venice."
The committees which were appointed
are at work making preparations for the
commencement exercises. The invitation
cards have been ordered and each gradu-
ate will be allowed to send out as many
as they wish.
The High school boys are practicing
base ball and will soon pick a nine to play
with the Bement club which has chal-
lenged them.
The civil government class held a trial
yesterday. One of the members of the
class was tried for assault. Wayne Wil-
liams was the attorney for the defendant
and Orange Johnson prosecuted. Miss
Grace Beaulieu acted as justice of the
peace. The case was continued until to-
day.
Will Play Ball May 2-Saturday.
The building of the new base ball park
on North Edward street in the 1500 block
is well under way, and in a short time if
the weather continues favorable the park
will be enclosed and practice with the
team now waiting for the umpire to call
"play ball," will begin. Manager Decker
had the big rollers at the grounds yester-
day, and several of the club members
went out on the cars to see how the work
was progressing. It has been arranged
to dedicate the park on Saturday, May 2.
Very likely the Springfield club will be
pitted against the Decatur club. There
may be two games that day. Phoebe
Connolly will be in the Decatur team and
so will Conn. There will be quite a bunch
of good players to hold up the Decatur
banner, and Decker who is an all round
player will be in the lead.

G. A. R. Encampment Programme.
The thirtieth annual encampment of
the Illinois division of the G. A. R., will
be held in Cairo May 12, 13 and 14. On
the first day, Tuesday, the Sons of Veter-
ans and civic societies escorted by infantry-
man and a battery of the I. N. G., will
make a trip across the great Central
bridge which spans the Ohio. In the
evening there will be a campfire in honor
of National Commander Walker and De-
partment Commander Powell. Wednes-
day will be devoted to conventions of the
W. R. C. and S. of V., and the evening to
regimental reunions. The encampment
will conclude with excursions to Grant's
first battlefield, Belmont and Columbus.
Their First Dance.
The iron moulders gave a most enjoy-
able dance last evening at the old armory
hall. It was the first dance ever given by
that organization, and was a warm one.
The grand march was led by Miss Mollie
Lynch and William Champion. The com-
mittees in charge of the dance were:
Arrangements—James McCormick, Ed-
ward Nagle, John Williams, J. Campton,
Richard Moran.
Floor—James McCormick, chief; John
Williams, Richard Moran, J. Campton,
aids.
Prompter—C. E. Lowry.
Death of Mrs. Dr. Elliott.
Mrs. Elliott, wife of Dr. R. M. Elliott,
died at 6:15 p. m., Thursday, April 16, at
the family residence, 714 West Eldorado
street. She had been sick for three months
with lung trouble. Besides her husband
she leaves four children, Mrs. J. C. Walker
and Mrs. Samuel Trotter, of Peoria, Joe
Terrell, of Milwaukee, and C. Elliott of
Los Angeles, Cal.
The Last of the Season.
The members of the Fellowship club
gave their last ball of the season last even-
ing at the new Guard's Armory. The
affair was in honor of several visitors and
some of the members of the club who are
going to leave the city. The entertain-
ment was a delightful one and was largely
attended.

WILL HOLD A ROAD RACE.
The Decatur Wheelmen Make Plans for
the Summer.
The members of the Decatur Wheelmen
club held an interesting meeting last eve-
ning at their club on East Wood street.
The most important business transacted
was the voting of the club to give a road
race on Decoration Day. To further the
arrangements for the event President
Kinsman appointed the following commit-
tees:
Hour and Course—George Hart, Frank
Palmeyer and Frank Doetz.
Prizes—J. H. Krebs, Jerry Donahue
and Jacob Latham.
On General Arrangements—Archie F.
Wilson, J. Frank Faries, E. Chandler,
Paul Hickish, Bert Weaver and J. H.
Krebs.
The matter of the Interstate meet was
brought up and discussed at length. The
thing that knocked it out for the time is
the decision that none but members of
the I. A. W. can take part in amateur
events in the circuit.
The matter of the Interstate circuit will
be taken up again at the next meeting.
The boys do not intend to throw up the
July meet if there is any way round.
The following new members were ad-
mitted to club membership: C. M. Hurst,
J. S. Starr, A. W. Long and M. B. Os-
linusky.

To Straighten the Illinois River.
A meeting of prominent capitalists was
held at Pekin on the 14th to decide one of
the most gigantic enterprises ever set on
foot in Central Illinois, necessitating the
expending of several million dollars,
diverting the Illinois river from its pres-
ent course for a distance of ten miles be-
tween Peoria and Pekin. At present the
river describes a mammoth horseshoe
curve, with Peoria and Pekin as the head
points. The river wanders at random
through the low level land and in time of
high water thousands of acres are over-
flowed that would otherwise be tillable
and highly productive. The scheme, in
brief, is to dig a large canal on a bee line
between the two cities, thus securing the
following results: Reclaim many thou-
sant acres of land, avoid a shallow stretch
in the river that prevents river traffic in
low water and secure a permanent and
navigable water way on which to establish
a number of large factories and build a
continuous city between Peoria and Pe-
kin. The line of the proposed canal is
flanked by many coal mines and the en-
tire country contiguous is underlaid with
veins of soft coal. At the head of the
scheme is H. P. Westerman, formerly a
distiller and now a retired capitalist. At
the conference it was finally decided to
solicit governmental aid in straightening
the channel of the river.

Novel Parasols.
Parasols of the most sumptuous descrip-
tion defy the elements with their gauzy
loveliness, and the display in the shops
blossom out anew each week. Among
the latest novelties are white silk pa-
rasols with a two-inch border of colored
shirred flowering woven around the
edge, while others of white silk are trim-
med with four-inch colored gauze ribbons
with broadened patterns, and shaded from
a light color on one edge to almost white
on the other. This is worn flat on the
silk about three inches from the edge of
the parasol, and a bow of the ribbon fin-
ishes the top. Even linen bastide para-
sols are another novelty; they are trim-
med with ceru embroidery to match the
gowns.

An Old Clock.
Waynesville Record.—In the matter of
old clocks Uncle Jerry Dunham so far
takes the lead, having in his possession in
good running order and keeping good time
a twenty-four hour clock which he bought
March 4, 1844, the year in which James
K. Polk was elected president. In those
days there was very little money in cir-
culation and in consequence but very few
were so situated as to be able to own a
clock, but the opportunity was offered
and Mr. Dunham traded a cow for the
clock above mentioned.

G. A. R. Encampment, Cairo, Ill.
For the above occasion the P. D. & E.
will furnish special excursion tickets from
all their stations in Illinois at the rate of
one fare for the round trip. Tickets will
be sold May 12, 13 and 14 inclusive, good
for return not later than May 18th, 1896.
Good connections will be made both going
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R. R., on Grayville, and Big Four Ry.,
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appointed us. Wishing you all possible
success, sincerely yours, Laura G. Flinn,
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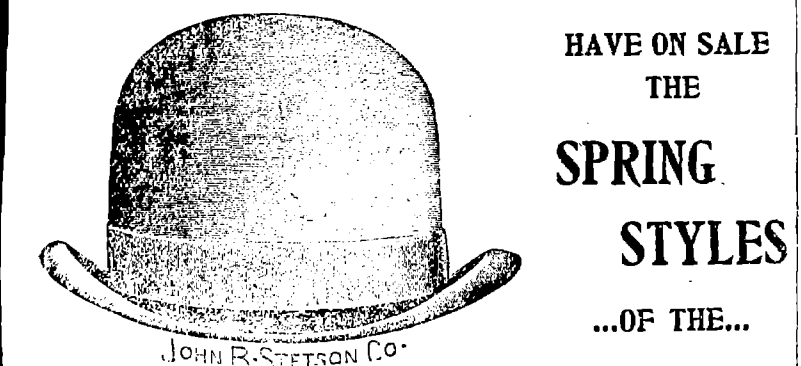
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THREE MEN KILLED

At the Trial of Marion Hatfield at Dean
Station, Tenn.

BEAN STATION, Tenn., April 16.—
George Jackson, Wm. Dootson and
George Green were killed yesterday
morning about fifty miles from
here on the lower edge of Hancock
county, Tenn. The trial of Marion
Hatfield, charged with the murder
of Jones Trale, as a result of an
old feud between the Greens and
Hatfields, and inside of five minutes
from the beginning of the trouble the
three men were dead. Jackson was a
coalminer, and was acting as peace-
maker. No arrests were made.

At the trial Hatfield confessed that
Trale had been killed by one Charles
Hatfield for the purpose of robbery, but
that he was left off of the deal. Offi-
cers are after Collins and he will be
lynched if caught.

ED STREETER CAPTURED.

Hot but Ineffective Pursuit of Bank
Wrecker Davies.

WINTERSVILLE, La., April 17.—Ed Street-
er, who accompanied C. O. Davies, the
East Pearl bank wrecker, in his flight
from jail Tuesday, was apprehended
last evening after a hot chase of six
miles through the woods north of
here. Davies was seen but eluded his
pursuers. A posse of 500 farmers is
watching for him and has surrounded
a heavy strip of timber where it is be-
lieved he is in hiding. There is no
doubt he will be lynched if he falls
into the hands of these excited men
many of whom were depositors in the
ill-fated bank.

A GREAT CHARITABLE WORK.

The Red Cross Preserving its Mission in
Armenia Under Protection and
Without Opposition.

WASHINGTON, April 17.—Private ad-
vices received here from Constantinople
state that the Red Cross is doing a
great work in Armenia. No one is in-
terfering with them and the porte has
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CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
COUNTY OF MACON, ss.
In the Circuit Court of said County and State, to
be held at the Court House in Macdon County, Ill.,
on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1896.

Oscar J. Zimmerman and William A. Shorb vs.
Audley D. Riley, Luella Riley, Myra
Melsenheimer and Ira Melsenheimer, James
Milkus and Orville B. Gorn, surviving
partners of the firm of J. Milkus & Co., De-
ceased, and the County of Macdon, Illinois,
Grisevold, Caroline L. Grisevold and Decatur
Lumber and Manufacturing Company.

First—To rescind and abrogate a former res-
olution adopted by the stockholders of said
County at their meeting held December 21st,
1892, authorizing an issuance by the County of
Seven Million (\$7,000,000) Dollars, in value to
be paid in three installments of Two Million
(\$2,000,000) Dollars each, to be paid on the
first day of the next June term of said Court.

Second—To increase the Capital Stock of the
said County from its present capitalization of
Seven Million (\$7,000,000) Dollars, in value to
be paid in three installments of Two Million
(\$2,000,000) Dollars each, to be paid on the
first day of the next June term of said Court.

Third—To authorize the issue of the bonds of
the County of the par value of eleven million
dollars, to be payable thirty years from date of
issue, bearing five (5) per cent interest, payable
semi-annually on the first day of January and
July in gold coin of the United States of America.
Said bonds to be issued for the purpose of build-
ing and equipping a railroad, and to be secured
by a first mortgage upon all the property of
the said railroad.

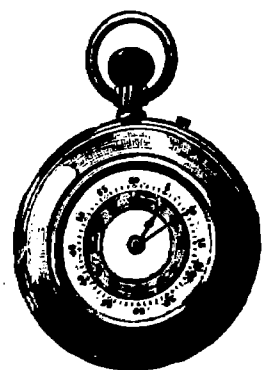
Fourth—To authorize such other business and
deedable such powers to the directors of the
County, as they may deem proper and shall be
deemed necessary to prosecute the enter-
prise to an immediate and successful completion.
WILLIAM J. PEGRAM, Clerk.
J. C. RHODES, Auditor.

Master in Chancery's Sale.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss.
COUNTY OF MACON, ss.
In the Circuit Court of Macdon County, Ill.,
to be held at the Court House in Macdon County, Ill.,
on the 10th day of May, A. D. 1896.

William J. Pegram vs. Wm. S. Northland et al.
Bill to foreclose mortgage, No. 15,412.

Public notice is hereby given that in pursu-
ance of a decree of the Circuit Court of said
County entered in the above entitled cause on the
10th day of May, A. D. 1896, the said William
J. Pegram, Master in Chancery of said Court, will
on Saturday, the 10th day of April, 1896, offer for
sale at public auction at the front door of the Court
house in the City of Decatur, in said County,
Illinois, the premises described in the said decree,
to-wit: Commencing at the corner of the north-
west quarter of section 10, township 16 north,
range 2 east of the 3d principal meridian, thence
north 89 degrees 45 minutes 30 seconds to the
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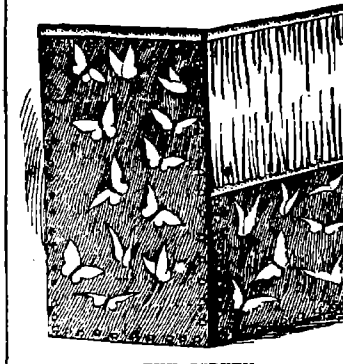
For the framework of my screen, an ordinary two-door clothes-horse will answer admirably; but if a particular size and width be desired, a working carpenter will knock you up what you require for a trifle.

Having your framework ready, cover it with a strong unbleached calico. This will be best done by using small black brads, and covering each leaf separately. The calico should be strained very tightly from side to side, and plenty of brads used in the nailing. When these preliminaries are accomplished the frame is ready for its ornamental covering.

The materials required will be as follows: Fine olive-green cloth to cover the screen quite plainly on the outside, a yard of lemon-colored velvet, and sufficient eau-de-Nil pouce silk to line the inside of the screen, and to cover half of the front. I am unable to give quantities of material in this instance, as I have not suggested any particular size for the screen, which may vary with the tastes of the reader, and the actual making is what I wish to make clear to you.

It will be seen by the sketch that the ornamentation of the screen consists of a flight of butterflies upon one leaf and the lower half of the second. These are fashioned from the lemon-colored velvet, and should be fixed out from a paper pattern, which may be varied in various positions according to the peculiarity of the worker, and it is a pretty idea to have the butterflies graduating in size from large to very small.

These, when cut out, can be fixed on to the cloth in two or three ways;



THE SCREEN.

if needlework is not cared for the pretty insects can be fastened to the cloth with good and clear liquid glue, gliding the edges of the wings outward with a little paint applied with a camel-hair brush. The other method is to up-pique the butterflies on, using a fine gold thread for the purpose; in both cases the effect will be very pretty.

When this ornamentation is complete, and a glance at the sketch will give an idea of the arrangement, the cloth must be tightly strained over the frame, each leaf separate, using small money nails for the purpose of fixing, and being very careful to turn in all edges quite neatly. It will be found best to cut a narrow strip of cloth with which to cover the screen where the two leaves join, and this should be nailed tightly and smoothly as a last item.

Having then covered the screen, the upper half of one leaf should be further adorned by a full gathered piece of the eau-de-Nil silk, as seen by the sketch. We then come to the inside of the screen, and this is lined entirely with the eau-de-Nil silk, slightly gathered from top to bottom. A small light photographic shelf can be, if liked, fixed across the top of each leaf and a few pretty fancy brass hooks screwed in the spar that goes across the center will be found most useful for hanging the work bag, etc., upon. Your screen is now complete, and all that is required for a finishing touch are a few yards of gold tinsel lace in section with which to edge the screen top and bottom. My design is, perhaps, a little elaborate, but it would not prove expensive.—Madame.

Cooking Cabbage Without Odor. Many housekeepers decline to have cabbage cooked in their kitchens because of the disagreeable odor with which the vegetable fills the house. If the servant would but obey the following directions this objection would be reduced to a minimum. In the first place the saucapane should be the largest the menage affords, and must contain enough water to entirely cover the cabbage. This saucapane must be placed on the hottest part of the range and the water be at a galloping boil before the cabbage is put in, and must be kept at a boil until the vegetable is done. Last of all the lid must not be put on the saucapane during the whole process of cooking.

Salad Served in Red Apples. At a recent luncheon the salad, which was the now extremely popular one of apples and celery with a mayonnaise, was served in bright red apples. The top of the apple was taken off neatly, the meat scooped out till the walls were about half an inch thick, and the shell filled with the salad. Every apple rested on a bed of green cress. The apples want to be prepared as near the time of serving as possible, to prevent the rusting of the edges. Served in this way the course is a pretty novelty, though on the same lines as tomato shells, or those of green pepper for the meat or fish salad of a green and white luncheon.

Cheap Chicago Excursion. The Washburn as usual leads the procession with one of their popular cheap excursions to Chicago.

This year they will sell for the noon train Saturday as well as for the night train. The first excursion will be Saturday April 18th and Sunday April 19th. Tickets will be sold for the noon and night trains of Saturday and for the 5:30 a. m. train Sunday, good returning on any regular train up to and including the Baltimore leaving Chicago at 9 p. m. Saturday April 19th. Fare only \$9 round trip.—J. E. S.

THE OLYMPIAN GAMES

Closed, Yesterday, With the Distribution of the Prizes.

ATHENS, April 16.—The Olympian games closed yesterday with the distribution of prizes to the victors in the various contests. The weather was perfect and the stadium was crowded with people. When the king and the royal party arrived a pindaric ode on the game was delivered by Mr. Robertson, an American, after which, according to the ancient custom, the king personally handed to each winner of a first prize a wreath fashioned of wild olive plucked from the trees at Olympia, and laurel wreaths were given to the winners of second prizes. All the prize winners then received diplomas and medals. The stadium band then played the national air of each country represented in the games, to which music all of the prize winners paraded. After the parade the games were declared by the king to be ended. Among the athletes who received crowns were 11 Americans.



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SEALED BIDS.

Public notice is hereby given that the contract for the construction of a sewer, known as the Fairview Park Sewer, together with all its fixtures, entrances, manholes, catch basins and connections and adjuncts pertaining thereto, according to the plans and specifications of an ordinance relating thereto, passed by the City Council of said City, on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1896, and that sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk at the time of making such bid a sample of brick, not less than six in number, proposed to be used in said local improvement, and said brick shall be labeled with the bidder's name.

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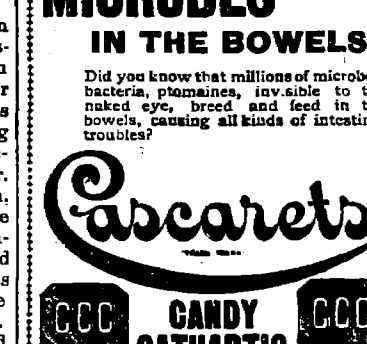
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Telephones—Res. 216, N. Edward St.

DR. L. H. CLARK,

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Manufactured by the Pope Manufacturing Co., the highest grade goods in the world, range in price, \$50, \$60, \$80, and \$100. We have a full and complete line of their 1896 Models. Please come in and inspect them. We are selling a great many of these wheels now, and feel very confident that we can interest you if you will look them over.

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Black Dress Goods at 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c and 60c.
Novelty Black Goods at 25c, 35c, 50c, 65c and 75c.
Novelty Suitings go at 25c, 35c, 50c and 60c.

WASH GOODS.
Ginghams at 8 1/2c.
One lot Fine French Ginghams, worth 15c, at 8 1/2c yard.
New French Percale on sale at 12 1/2c yd.
New French Dimity, in stripes and figures, at 12 1/2c yard.

CAPE.
SPECIAL SALE THIS WEEK.
Velvet Capes at \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50.
Silk Capes at \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$10.

TABLE LINENS.
One lot fine Cream Damask on sale at 38c, worth 50c to 60c.
One lot fine Cream Damask on sale at 48c, worth 75c.

LACE CURTAINS.
SPECIAL PRICES.
Curtains at 98c, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50 per pair up to \$5.00.

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FRIDAY, APRIL 17, 1896.

LOCAL NEWS.

Plenies will soon be in order.
Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.
Straw hats have begun to appear.
You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—
Rubber Stamps—J. M. Myers, old phone 38.
Johnny Weigand still makes the Loda 10 cent cigar. mch25-dtf
Go to Henry Bros. bakery for all kinds of cakes, pies, etc. dec 26-dtf
Whitley handles none of the inferior grade chocolates.
Try the Little Rose and Bouquet cigars, made by Michel.
Only a few more days before the election for aldermen.
Chicago and return via Wabash Ry. \$2.00 April 18th.—9t
Wanted—Office girl. Call at rooms 3 and 4 Pasfield block.
Be kind to the chickens and give them Irwin's poultry powder.
To quiet the nerves drink celery phosphate at Irwin's fountain.
Dr. L. E. Conrad, Dentist rooms 42 and 43 Fenton block. aug24-dtf
Comedy every night next week at the Grand by the Holden company.
Try the new drink French Wine Cocoa 5c. glass at Irwin's fountain.
The first Chicago excursion is via Wabash R. R. April 18th.—9t
Prescriptions carefully compounded day or night at Opera House drug store.
Irwin's Sarsaparilla is guaranteed to give satisfaction as a blood purifier.
"118" that's the number of the O and W. Blue Front Shoe store on Merchant street. apr 13-dtf
Don't forget the New O and W. Blue Front Shoe store; bargains in shoes is our aim. apr 13-dtf
USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.
The Morrison company left today for Springfield where "Faust" will be produced tonight.
A Gent's elegant Tan Shoe for \$1.98 at the O and W. Blue Front Shoe store, 118 Merchant street. apr 13-dtf
Mama eats a Cascairet, baby gets the benefit. Cascairets make mother's milk mildly purgative.
Go to Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb16-dtf
Don't forget that city election will occur next Tuesday. Let every Republican make it a point to cast his ballot.
Cheap excursion to Chicago on next Saturday and Sunday only \$2 for the round trip. Good on all trains—15-4
Select one of these famous Haines upright pianos at the C. B. Prescott music house if you want the best instruments.
Armstrong Bros., druggists, have moved into the Chonoweth Block, next building to their former location.
April 11-16
Just before going to bed eat a Cascairet candy. It makes you feel fine in the morning.
This would be a fine time to lay the concrete promenade walk around the street car turn-table. Hurry up.
The chair car excursion to Chicago is via the Wabash. Tickets good on all Saturday trains and early morning train of Sunday.—16-3t
Just Received—A full line of fresh garden seeds from the best and most reliable seedsmen by Spencer & Lehman company. Feb. 26, d&w 3mo.
Remember and call on the O and W. Blue Front Shoe store where you will find the best shoes for the money in the city. apr 15-dtf
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RETURN OF ATTORNEY McDONALD

What He Saw and Heard in His Visit to Kentucky About the Presidency.

Attorney E. S. McDonald has returned from a business trip in Kentucky and was in Louisville during the gathering of the delegates to the Republican state convention and during the session of the convention. He says he met a great many of the delegates, both those who came there for McKinley and those who came there for Bradley, and to his surprise found 90 per cent of the delegates for McKinley. He says those who were for Bradley did not hesitate to say they were for Bradley merely as an endorsement for local reasons only and do not expect that his name will be seriously mentioned at St. Louis, but even in spite of this condition of things it was the hardest kind of work to prevent the convention from instructing directly for McKinley and that McKinley will have every vote in the Kentucky delegation when the time comes. Mr. McDonald says those people, without exception, say that if McKinley is nominated, the Republicans will carry Kentucky by a large majority. Mr. McDonald met many of the farmers and plain people and they told him the same story. He mentions several life-long Democrats who said if McKinley was nominated they would vote for him. He says everybody he met in that state is thoroughly convinced that McKinley will be nominated on the first ballot.

MUST PAY MISS BUNCH.

Court Decision of Interest to Teachers and School Superintendents.

The suit of Miss Mammie Bunch, superintendent of the schools of Douglas county, was decided Thursday at Tuscola, Judge Vail of the circuit court ordering the board of supervisors to pay her the salary they were withholding because she refused to produce vouchers from the teachers who had visited while attending to her duties. They had passed a resolution requiring her to do so, but she ignored it. Judge Vail ruled that the board had no authority to enforce such a resolution, and that superintendents are not compelled to recognize them when passed.

Hon. W. S. Smith Surprised.

When Mr. Zion people want to have a real good time, they pass the word around quietly and fill up their baskets and then drop in unexpectantly on somebody, then when things get settled like, they open up those baskets and pile out the contents on tables—and oh, Yum Yum. You just ought to be there.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

Mr. Smith was taken completely by surprise, but submitted gracefully, and then for two or three hours the crowd all about him tried to make him feel at home. It was a most enjoyable affair, because everybody said so.

Sent Away Over \$53,000.

County Treasurer C. H. Patterson Thursday remitted to the state treasurer the sum of \$53,386.32 in partial settlement of the state taxes due from Macon county for the year 1895. This amount is what was due from the amount turned in by the collectors up to April 15. The regular fiscal settlement is due July 10. The items included in the present remittance are: State tax, \$35,296.33; county interest, \$12,941.97; township interest, \$4,387.78; city interest, \$867.54. Of this amount \$9,665.70 will come back to the county for the school fund. Decatur is the only township in the county which has bonds outstanding.

Talmage Excursion.

The Vandalla will run an excursion next Monday from Arcola, Arthur and intermediate points to the Talmage lecture at the Tabernacle. A special train will make the return trip, leaving here at 11 o'clock p. m. It is expected that fully 100 people will avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Decatur and hear one of the world's greatest orators, all at a nominal sum. Many are coming from Taylorville, Macon, Mawanaqua, Warrensburg and all the surrounding towns. The sale of seats is now in full blast at Otto E. Curtis & Bros.

Morrison Bought Two Columbia Wheels.

Lewis Morrison, the famed Mephisto who with his clever company appeared at the Grand last night in the production of "Faust," visited the jewelry store of O. E. Curtis & Co., yesterday afternoon, and bought two fine Columbia bicycles, at \$100 each, one for the use of himself, and the other for his daughter. Mr. Morrison stated that after four years of working he was satisfied that there is nothing equal to a Columbia.

For Breaking Into Box Cars.

This morning Officer Ed Leach arrested three boys John Sablotney, Julius Blaskoff and Charles Knor. About two weeks ago the boys broke into a Wabash box car and the officers have been after them ever since but did not catch them until today. They were put in jail and will be prosecuted by Detective Applegate who was notified of the arrest.

Secure Your Seats Quick.

Excursions from surrounding towns, and many hundreds at home, make it very uncertain about even standing room for those who wait till the last minute. Call at Otto E. Curtis & Bros. right away, mark off a seat, and then you will be safe.

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The most unique and attractive window displays can be seen at the New O and W. Blue Front Shoe store. Bargains in shoes, new displays and new bargains every week. apr 15-dtf

GO TO CHICAGO SATURDAY ON THE NEW CHICAGO TRAIN.

Leave Decatur at 7:40 a. m. in Chicago at 1 p. m. Leave Chicago at 9 p. m. Sunday night. Only \$2 for the round trip.—15-4t

Two dollar excursion to Chicago and return via I. C. R. R. on Saturday.

Good going on all trains commencing with 7:40 a. m. train arriving in Chicago at 1 o'clock p. m. and including Diamond Special on Saturday night. Good returning on Diamond Special leaving Chicago at 9 p. m. Sunday night.—15-4t

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Mayor Conklin Served with Notices as to Possible Litigation in the Near Future.

At the meeting of the city council next Monday night action will be taken on the ordinance for the construction of the big sewer known as the "Fairview Sewer," a sewer to extend from the intersection of North Monroe and Pugh streets south and southwesterly a distance of 8,000 feet to a point at the south side of Fair Lawn park (old fair grounds). The sewer will cost about \$44,000, and the expense will be met by special assessments. The sewer will be made of brick, egg shaped, and will vary in size from four feet to six feet in diameter. The outlet will be on the A. P. Cobb and Andrew Dennis estate land, following the natural branch to the Sangamon river 6,000 feet away. The plan is to put in 24-inch tile at the sewer outlet, which it is said will carry off all the effluent and filth to the river. The tile will be connected with the sewer outlet in such a way that but little if any of the filth from the sewer will lodge on the surface of the ground on the Dennis-Cobb property. The sewer will go through a point fifty feet north of the park springs. The sewer will serve to purify the spring water, for it will carry off all the impurities from the slaughter house, and the drainage from the graveyard, and other points along the route east of the park springs. The tile connection mentioned, it is known by experience, will positively do no damage to the land or pasture through which it will pass to the river. The tile will carry off all the impurities from the sewer to the river, except perhaps in case of big rains and freshets. Then there will be something of an overflow too great for the capacity of the tile, but it is claimed that such occasions are rare, and the overflow would not serve to block an improvement which so many property owners need, and which should be provided.

Protests—Litigation Threatened.

Nevertheless there are parties who have already entered protests against the proposed sewer improvement, and several parties give notice to Mayor Conklin that if the improvement contemplated is started they will go into the courts with their grievance. The mayor has received several letters. Here is one of them:

Springfield, Ill., April 11, 1896.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council of Decatur, Ill.

Gentlemen: I am informed that by a recent act of your honorable body, you have determined to construct a sewer which is to terminate at or near the north boundary of my property, which joins the park, once known as the old fair grounds. I own the land between the park and the Springfield road. Of course the filth and waste matter from the sewer will overflow upon my property, will pollute the stream on which the stock in my pasture rely for water; while the stench will damage the value of my property in renting and selling. Last, but not least, it will be a public nuisance, at once offensive and injurious to health. I trust you will seriously reflect upon the injury which the contemplated sewer would inflict upon innocent parties, as well as upon the public health, and so change the plans as to avoid results of this kind. I have no more to say at present, but I am left to believe that your honorable body will not take a legal action to protect itself against what would be a great outrage upon my rights. I write to ask that you do not let the ordinance covering this matter, and trust that it may be amicably adjusted. Other steps, I shall be obliged to take such legal rights, I have the honor to be, Very respectfully yours,

A. P. Cobb.

The other two letters on the same subject are similar in tone. They need not be given. The members of the council will probably hear them read at the Monday night meeting.

Mayor Conklin's Reply.

Mayor Conklin on receipt of the letters gave them respectful attention, and in a few days sent a reply to the objectors. It was as follows:

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JOHN A. DAWSON'S BOND.

It is for \$300,924 as Assignee for Lewis B. Casner, Late Banker.

Last evening in the county court John A. Dawson filed his official bond for \$300,924.34 as assignee of L. B. Casner of the Farmers' bank. His bondsmen are J. H. Wikoff, J. H. Baker, John Casner, Milton Johnson, Hiram Johnson, Samuel Diller, Levi Towle, M. L. Deck, F. M. Gaddis and A. G. Webber.

The Inventory.

The inventory of resources and liabilities filed by Mr. Dawson is as follows:

Resources.

Cash, \$4,026 72
Real estate, \$8,302 00
Charles, \$2,908 00
Notes due bank, 32,582 82
Notes due bank pledged as collateral for loans, 35,085 18
Overdrafts due bank, 8,109 13
Additional notes, 2,358 00
Total, \$153,462 17

Liabilities.

Due depositors, \$30,650 77
Certificates outstanding, 35,280 89
Due American Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago, 14,648 50
Due First National bank of Belleville, 5,000 00
J. Millikin & Co., 6,000 00
A. Schuder, 5,000 00
Philo Robinson, 4,500 00
H. Crea, 500 00
Total, \$101,580 16
Excess of resources, \$51,882 01

FRESH FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

They are Much Cheaper and are Beginning to be Quite Plentiful in the Markets.

Fresh fruits and vegetables are beginning to be much cheaper and are more plentiful in the market. Tomorrow there will be home grown pea-plant, onions, lettuce and radishes, all at 5 cents per bunch. Tomatoes are cheaper, being offered at two for 5 cents. Spinach will sell for 40 cents per peck. Cabbages are very small and sell for about 10 cents per head.

String Beans and Green Peas will appear in the market tomorrow and will sell for about 60 cents per peck.

Strawberries will be more plentiful and can be purchased for 25 cents per quart. New potatoes are still scarce and sell for 60 cents per peck.

Old chickens sell for 12 1/2 cents per pound dressed.

Spring chickens are very scarce and whatever will be offered will be high. Eggs are still sold for 10 cents per dozen by some dealers.

Holden Comedy Company.

Beginning Monday night, April 20th, the famous Holden Comedy company headed by the bright southerner, Kittle DeLoraine will begin an engagement of one week at the Grand opera house. Monday night the sensational melodrama, "Dangers of a Great City," will be presented. Several of the latest songs and dances will be given during the action of the play including the clever little child dancer, Little May. Monday night the play will admit one gentleman and lady or two ladies to a reserved seat if bought before 6 p. m. Monday. Another inducement extra will be given which can be seen by visiting the large show window of Moorehouse & Wells Co. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.—17-3t

Carr Appointed Guardian.

In the county court today E. D. Carr, of Argenta, was appointed guardian for Lawrence E. Augusta R., Charles J. J., One, James and Lucien B. Evans, children of the late Mrs. Mary I. Evans, whose life was insured for \$1,000 for the benefit of her children. All of the money goes to the children with the exception of about \$100 which was expended for funeral necessities. The ages of the children range from 6 to 18 years. The father, Henry H. Evans, is living.

"What's in a Name."

A name stamped on a shoe may mean much or it may mean little. "Hutchin" stamped on a shoe means that that shoe is up to date in style, perfect in fit, unexcelled in wear, lowest in price, and a guarantee of satisfaction. What more can you ask? We will be better prepared to wait on you Saturday than last Saturday as many could not be waited on. Best \$2, \$3 and \$5 shoes in Illinois. Walter Hutchin, Big Shoe Store, 355 N. Water St., Temple Block.

Last night an audience of fair size numerically witnessed the finished production of "Faust" at the Grand, given by Mr. Lewis Morrison and his excellent company.

The scenic and electric effects were first class throughout the play, and Mr. Morrison won fresh laurels by his perfect impersonation of Mephisto in which he won his reputation as an actor, besides gathering in stacks of dollars.

Cheap Excursion.

The first cheap excursion of the season will be run by the P. D. & E. railway to Peoria Sunday, May 3rd. This is the pleasantest season of the year and Peoria is to be seen at its best.

THAT BIG SEWER.

What He Saw and Heard in His Visit to Kentucky About the Presidency.

Attorney E. S. McDonald has returned from a business trip in Kentucky and was in Louisville during the gathering of the delegates to the Republican state convention and during the session of the convention. He says he met a great many of the delegates, both those who came there for McKinley and those who came there for Bradley, and to his surprise found 90 per cent of the delegates for McKinley. He says those who were for Bradley did not hesitate to say they were for Bradley merely as an endorsement for local reasons only and do not expect that his name will be seriously mentioned at St. Louis, but even in spite of this condition of things it was the hardest kind of work to prevent the convention from instructing directly for McKinley and that McKinley will have every vote in the Kentucky delegation when the time comes. Mr. McDonald says those people, without exception, say that if McKinley is nominated, the Republicans will carry Kentucky by a large majority. Mr. McDonald met many of the farmers and plain people and they told him the same story. He mentions several life-long Democrats who said if McKinley was nominated they would vote for him. He says everybody he met in that state is thoroughly convinced that McKinley will be nominated on the first ballot.

At the meeting of the city council next Monday night action will be taken on the ordinance for the construction of the big sewer known as the "Fairview Sewer," a sewer to extend from the intersection of North Monroe and Pugh streets south and southwesterly a distance of 8,000 feet to a point at the south side of Fair Lawn park (old fair grounds). The sewer will cost about \$44,000, and the expense will be met by special assessments. The sewer will be made of brick, egg shaped, and will vary in size from four feet to six feet in diameter. The outlet will be on the A. P. Cobb and Andrew Dennis estate land, following the natural branch to the Sangamon river 6,000 feet away. The plan is to put in 24-inch tile at the sewer outlet, which it is said will carry off all the effluent and filth to the river. The tile will be connected with the sewer outlet in such a way that but little if any of the filth from the sewer will lodge on the surface of the ground on the Dennis-Cobb property. The sewer will go through a point fifty feet north of the park springs. The sewer will serve to purify the spring water, for it will carry off all the impurities from the slaughter house, and the drainage from the graveyard, and other points along the route east of the park springs. The tile connection mentioned, it is known by experience, will positively do no damage to the land or pasture through which it will pass to the river. The tile will carry off all the impurities from the sewer to the river, except perhaps in case of big rains and freshets. Then there will be something of an overflow too great for the capacity of the tile, but it is claimed that such occasions are rare, and the overflow would not serve to block an improvement which so many property owners need, and which should be provided.

Protests—Litigation Threatened.

Nevertheless there are parties who have already entered protests against the proposed sewer improvement, and several parties give notice to Mayor Conklin that if the improvement contemplated is started they will go into the courts with their grievance. The mayor has received several letters. Here is one of them:

Springfield, Ill., April 11, 1896.

To the Honorable the Mayor and City Council of Decatur, Ill.

Gentlemen: I am informed that by a recent act of your honorable body, you have determined to construct a sewer which is to terminate at or near the north boundary of my property, which joins the park, once known as the old fair grounds. I own the land between the park and the Springfield road. Of course the filth and waste matter from the sewer will overflow upon my property, will pollute the stream on which the stock in my pasture rely for water; while the stench will damage the value of my property in renting and selling. Last, but not least, it will be a public nuisance, at once offensive and injurious to health. I trust you will seriously reflect upon the injury which the contemplated sewer would inflict upon innocent parties, as well as upon the public health, and so change the plans as to avoid results of this kind. I have no more to say at present, but I am left to believe that your honorable body will not take a legal action to protect itself against what would be a great outrage upon my rights. I write to ask that you do not let the ordinance covering this matter, and trust that it may be amicably adjusted. Other steps, I shall be obliged to take such legal rights, I have the honor to be, Very respectfully yours,

A. P. Cobb.

The other two letters on the same subject are similar in tone. They need not be given. The members of the council will probably hear them read at the Monday night meeting.

Mayor Conklin's Reply.

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